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USAF Aircrew Debriefing (ZI)

B-29 Combat Crew R50A0 Debriefed (ZI): 1 August 1952
307th Bomb Wing
372 Bomb Squadron

				Missions
A/C	Capt	George E. Salmi	AO-811251	16
P	1st Lt	Billy J. Perkins	AO-1911874	(Not Debriefed - Transferred to March Air Force Base, Calif.)
N	1st Lt	Herbert E. Johnson	AO-2071807	29
B	1st Lt	Robert P. Becker	AO-772810	(Not Debriefed - Returned to Inactive duty)
RO	1st Lt	Howard B. Cockrum	AO-2086784	(Not Debriefed - Returned to Inactive duty)
FE	T/Sgt	Sylvester Ball	AF-15726716	28
RO	A/1C	James C. Holder	AF-19343599	29
CFC	A/1C	Billy J. Cooper	AF-19370475	22
LG	A/1C	Jesse W. Johnston	AF-17277694	23
RG	A/1C	Paul T. Burnett	AF-12357728	
TG	A/1C	William L. Dufford	AF-13344103	26

Aircrew Debriefing Requirements (ZI)
Part I General

SECTION A

1. B-29
2. Crew average approximately 25 missions.
3. One unidentified jet fighter on a special daylight mission.
4. Not observed.
5. Ref 3. - Jet aircraft attack from the rear at 5:00 O'Clock high at approximate range of 1500 yards breaking away at 1000 yards 9:00 o'clock. Poor visibility due to haze. No enemy fire observed however gunners fired at enemy aircraft with no results.
6. Enemy ground (anti-aircraft) fire was directed and barrage type at altitudes from 17,000 to 25,000 feet, and was ineffective.
7. Not observed.
8. Not observed.
9. Not observed - night missions.
10. No enemy fighter attacks on night missions. Encountered searchlights on bomb runs on various targets with both radar directed and blind type searching. In both types searchlights usually set up in two circles - one inside the other with directed cone of light searching out aircraft.
11. Observation I
    a. Observers: Capt G. E. Salmi, 1st Lt H. E. Johnson, A/1C P. T. Burnett, T/Sgt S. Ball (1st Lt H. B. Cockrum, 1st Lt R. P. Becker, 1st Lt B. J. Perkins - Not interrogated, transferred)
    b. Time and Place: Approximately 2100-2200 hours 22 April 1952 during a practice alert (blackout). Observations made by crew members from immediate vicinity of MATS Passenger Terminal, Naha AFB, Okinawa. Crew was awaiting scheduled flight to the United States returning on rotation.
    c. Weather: Overcast of haze at 2000 feet, light wind blowing from NNE.
    d. Observation: Unidentified flying object observed at an altitude of approximately 1000-1500 feet beneath overcast in straight and level flight. First a single object was sighted to the East in lower part of sky and observed to fly over, CLASSIFIED disappear to the West.

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